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## SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants submit attached Form PTO-SB/08A (modified) for consideration and request the references cited therein be made of record by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application.

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. patent application No. 10/798,894 filed Mar. 12, 2004, for which Information Disclosure Statements in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 were previously filed. As allowed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the references provided with the aforementioned Information Disclosure Statements are <u>not</u> provided herewith.

Applicants would like to remind the Examiner of the existence of the following co-pending U.S. patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>10/652,870</u> filed September 2, 2003, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000026); and

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U.S. Patent Application No. <u>10/798,894</u> filed March 12, 2004, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE <u>PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE"</u> (attorney docket: 38523.000089); and

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>10/492,427</u> filed April 26, 2002, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000094).

Applicants would like to inform the Examiner of the existence of the following co-pending U.S. patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>11/638,520</u> filed December 14, 2006, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000311); and

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>11/638,443</u> filed December 14, 2006, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000312).

U.S. Patent Application No. <u>11/638,401</u> filed December 14, 2006, in the name Gary W. ZLOTNICK et al., entitled "NOVEL IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE" (attorney docket: 38523.000313).

Consideration of the foregoing plus the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form SB/08A with the Examiner's initials in the left column in accordance with MPEP 609 are respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), this Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be submitted prior to issuance of a first Office Action. Therefore, it is respectfully

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submitted that no fee is required for consideration of this information. However, in the event any fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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